



PROCLAMATION

Recognizing Drowning Impact Awareness Month

WHEREAS, Arizona's future prosperity depends upon the long-term health, safety, and well-being of the nearly two million children and teens in our state; and

WHEREAS, drowning is a top cause of injury and death for children and teens in Arizona, affecting not only the victims, but also families, emergency personnel, and our society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, child drownings are nearly 100 percent preventable; and

WHEREAS, research-proven strategies can save lives, including constant and capable supervision, restricting access to water, use of life jackets, swimming lessons for adults and children at the appropriate age, and rapid emergency response, including CPR; and

WHEREAS, awareness of the problem is just the first step; evidence-based programs to bring these strategies to families is the best way to save lives; and

WHEREAS, during the month of August, Drowning Prevention Coalition of Arizona, in collaboration with state and local governments, community organizations, and private citizens, will be engaging communities throughout Arizona in a coordinated and comprehensive response.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ed Honea, Mayor of the Town of Marana, do hereby proclaim August 2023 as Drowning Impact Awareness Month and urge all citizens to participate in efforts to reduce drowning risk, strengthen families, and protect children and teens.

Dated this 1st day of August, 2023.

ATTEST:

David L. Udall, Town Clerk



Ed Honea, Mayor